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RE: Docket Number 98P-0151/CP1 - CUT OUT THE MARKET FOR 'DOWNED ANIMALS'

To Whom It May Concern:

I have recently learned of Docket Number 98P-0151/CP1 proposing to cut out the market for downed animals. I am writing in support of the above referenced petition to completely abolish the slaughter of downed animals.

I urgently request that your office seriously consider acceptance of the petition to prohibit the slaughter of downed animals as an effective method of preventing animal cruelty when downed animals are brutally 'dragged' to slaughterhouses despite their conditions.

I will be following the progress of Docket #98P-0151/CP1 closely and look forward to the complete prohibition of slaughtering downed animals.

Thank you for your kind attention to this serious matter that is of concern to all U.S. Citizens.

Sincerely,

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